U.S. vanity perfin is first on Israeli postal stationery

Y es, there IS an Israeli perfin. It's a vanity perfin and a U.S. owner, but it is on Israeli postal stationery. It

may be the only perfin ever sent through the Israeli postal service—at least in recent times.

The Star of David pattern was

used in June 1999 and carries a Tel Aviv postmark. It's on a stamped envelope intended for internal use in Israel. Additional postage was added to pay the airmail rate to get the cover to New York City.

Yitzhak Onn of Reho-

vot, Israel, mailed the cover to Jack Kisner (#2168) as a favor. Onn works for Israel's Atomic Energy Com-



mission. The pattern, of course, is Kisner's.

Kisner says his next goal is to get a Star of David perfin to move through an Arab postal service. It will be interesting to see if that ever happens.